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The subject application was filed by Lehigh Safety Shoe Co. LLC pursuant to 37 CFR 1.47(b) because the inventor, Ruk Peterson, refused to sign the oath. Mr. Peterson has subsequently assigned the application to Lehigh Safety Shoe Co. LLC and it is requested that the enclosed Assignment be included in the file. The original Assignment is being forwarded to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for recordation.

Dated: September 11, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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ASSIGNMENT

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RUK PETERSON

hereby sell, assign and transfer unto Lehigh Safety Shoe Co. LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, having a place of business at 1100 East Main Street, Endicott, N.Y. 13760 as assignee, and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for all countries in and to certain inventions relating to the METATARSAL GUARD described in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/875,542, filed June 6, 2001, and all the rights and privileges under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted therefor.

I request that any and all patents for said inventions be issued to said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, or to such nominees as it may designate.

I agree that, when requested, I will, without charge to said assignee but at its expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining patents for said inventions in and all countries and for vesting title thereto in said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees.

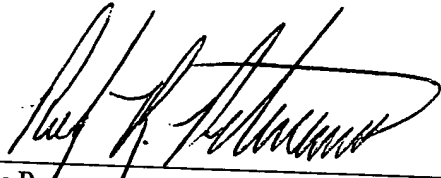
I authorize and empower the said assignee, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives or nominees, to invoke and claim for any application for patent or other form of protection for said inventions filed by it or them, the benefit of the right of priority provided by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any priority without further written or oral authorization from me.

I hereby consent that a copy of this Assignment shall be deemed a full legal and formal equivalent of any assignment, consent to file or like document which may be required in any country for any purpose and more particularly in proof of the right of the said assignee or nominee to claim the aforesaid benefit of the right of priority by the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, as amended, or by any convention which may henceforth be substituted for it.

I covenant with said assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, that the right and the property herein conveyed are free and clear of any encumbrance, and that I have full right to convey the same as herein expressed.

Signed at Endicott, N.Y.

this 27th day of AUGUST, 2002.


Ruk Peterson


STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF)

On this 27th day of August, 2002, personally appeared before me

RUK PETERSON

to me known by me to be the same person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same, of his own free will and for the purposes set forth.


Notary Public

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Notary Public, State of New York
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